ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention provides a compact yet low-cost zoom lens system which is particularly suited for use with small portable information terminal equipment. The zoom lens system comprises, in order from an object side thereof, a first lens group G1 that has positive refracting power and remains fixed during zooming, a second lens group G2 that has negative refracting power and moves from the object side to an image plane side of the system during zooming from a wide-angle end to a telephoto end of the system, a third lens group G3 that has positive refracting power and moves from the image plane side to the object side during zooming from the wide-angle end to the telephoto end and a fourth lens group G4 that has positive refracting power and is movable during zooming. The zoom lens system should satisfy condition (1) regarding the power of the third lens group G3, condition (2) regarding the amount of movement of the third lens group G3 during zooming or condition (3) regarding the composite power of the third and fourth lens groups G3 and G4, and condition (10) regarding the actual value of the back focus.